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CERTIFIED RETURN RECEIPT 7011 0110 0001 3568 4909

Jerome Bown Bown Stone Products 93 West 300 South P. O. Box 224 Manti, Utah 84642-0224

Subject: <u>Denial of Release Request</u>, <u>Bown Stone Products</u>, <u>Desert Sienna Mine</u>, <u>S/015/0093</u>, <u>Emery County</u>, <u>Utah</u>

Dear Mr. Bown:

The Division of Oil, Gas and Mining denies the request received June 6, 2013, to release a portion of the reclamation surety being held for reclamation of the referenced mine. The release application says debris and other materials incident to mining have been disposed of, that the site has been covered and graded to blend with native terrain, and that topsoil has been spread and is ready to plant in the fall. However, an inspection conducted June 11, 2013, found piles of pallets and other debris, stockpiles of stone, and mining equipment. The site has not been adequately regraded nor has topsoil been spread.

Cessation Order MC-2013-42-02 was issued May 15, 2013, and requires that the site either be reclaimed or that additional surety be posted to bring the total to either \$30, 200.00 for a three-year escalation or \$30,900.00 for a five-year escalation. Payment of past due permit fees totaling \$300.00 is also required. Since the site has not been reclaimed, the requirements of the cessation order are still in effect:

- 1. By June 28, 2013, you must post the additional surety, or
- 2. By July 1, 2013, you must begin reclamation and complete the work by September 5, 2013.



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Please call Wayne Western at 801-538-5263 or me at 801-538-5261 if you have questions about this letter.

Sincerely,

Paul B. Baker

Mining Program Manager

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